In the Claims:

We claim:

1. A method of displaying information by a network kiosk comprising the steps of:

sensing a person within a predetermined distance of
the kiosk;

displaying first information;

timing a time period; and

displaying second information if the person does not begin use of the kiosk within the time period.

2. A method of displaying information by a network kiosk comprising the steps of:

sensing a person within a predetermined distance of the kiosk;

displaying first information;

timing a time period; and

displaying second information if the person is no longer within the predetermined distance of the kiosk and the time period has expired.

3. A method of displaying information by a network kiosk comprising the steps of:

displaying first information;

sensing a person within a predetermined distance of the kiosk;

displaying second information;

timing a time period; and

displaying third information if the person is no longer within the predetermined distance of the kiosk and the time period has expired.

4. A method of displaying information by a network kiosk comprising the steps of:

displaying first information;

sensing a person within a predetermined distance of the kiosk;

determining second information for display; displaying the second information;

timing a time period to wait for the person to operate the kiosk;

determining third information for display when the person is no longer within the predetermined distance of the kiosk and the time period has expired; and displaying the third information.

- 5. A network kiosk comprising:
- a display for displaying information;
- a proximity sensor; and
- a computer which senses a person within a predetermined distance of the kiosk, displays first information, times a time period, and displays second information if the person does not begin use of the kiosk within the time period.

- 6. A network kiosk comprising:
- a display for displaying information;
- a proximity sensor; and
- a computer which senses a person within a predetermined distance of the kiosk, displays first information, times a time period, and displays second information if the person is no longer within the predetermined distance of the kiosk and the time period has expired.
- 7. The network kiosk as recited in claim 6, wherein the proximity sensor comprises an ambient light sensor which senses a drop in ambient light when the person is within the predetermined distance.